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SUBJ: ALMEYDA BRIEFS SENATE FONRELS COMMITTEE

1. ACCOMPANIED BY UNDERSEC ORLANDINI AND AMB TO US LETELIER, FONMIN ALMEYDA MET BEHIND CLOSED DOORS MAR 29 WITH SENATE FONRELS COMMITTEE. AGENDA REPORTEDLY INCLUDED RESULTS OF LAST WEEK' S USG- GOC TALKS IN WASHINGTON, STATUS OF BOLIVIA- CHILE RELATIONS, GOC STANCE AT UNSC MEETING PANAMA, STATUS OF BEAGLE CHANNEL ARBITRATION, IMPLICATIONS FOR CHILE OF US STOCKPILE SALES, ALMEYDA' S UPCOMING TRIP TO WASHINGTON FOR OASGA, AND RECENT ALMEYDA VISIT TO PEKING.

2. EXCEPT FOR SUBSEQUENT ORLANDINI PRESS CONFERENCE DEFENDING CORRECTNESS HIS CONDUCT IN PANAMA AND DISCUSSING BOLIVIAN RELATIONS ( SEPTTEL), LITTLE YET HAS LEAKED ON SUBSTANCE OF ALMEYDA' S TESTIMONY. WE NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT AFTER WEEK- LONG SILENCE PRO- GOVT SPOKESMEN ARE BEGINNING TO COME FORWARD WITH WHAT IS FAIRLY CONSISTENT INTERPRETATION OF WASHINGTON TALKS, NAMELY THAT THEY FOUNDERED ON ALLEGED US REJECTION OF 1914 TREATY MECHANISMS ( CF. SEPTELS MAIRA INTERVIEW AND CHILE HOY ARTICLE). IN MARCH 29 RADIO COMMENTARY, JUAN GANA, WHO FREQUENTLY REFLECTS GOC ESTABLISHMENT VIEWS, DEPICTED CONVERSATIONS AS " BROKEN" AND FORECAST POPULAR PRESSURE TO REPUDIATE DEBT, LEADING TO TURN TO ALL- OUT " FINANCIAL WARFARE" ON PART OF USG.

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